

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0014] with the following amended paragraph:

[0014] FIGS. 1, 2 and 2a illustrate schematically how a process of the present invention may be practiced.

~~FIG. 1 depicts a part of the process wherein particulate solid is incorporated into a base material. FIG. 2 depicts a part of the process in which binder is used to fix the incorporated particulate solid to the woven material. FIG. 2a illustrates a part of the process in which infra-red energy is used to fix the incorporated particulate solid to the woven material.~~

Please add the following new paragraphs after paragraph [0014]:

[0014.1] FIG. 1 depicts a part of the process wherein particulate solid is incorporated into a base material.

[0014.2] FIG. 2 depicts a part of the process in which binder is used to fix the incorporated particulate solid to the woven material.

[0014.3] FIG. 2a illustrates a part of the process in which infra-red energy is used to fix the incorporated particulate solid to the woven material.

Please replace paragraph [0018] with the following amended paragraph:

[0018] FIG. 5a 6 is a cross-sectional view taken along the line A/A 6-6 of FIG. 5.

Please replace paragraph [0019] with the following amended paragraph:

[0019] FIG. 6 5a is plan view of an alternative suction zone part showing uni-directional control of the pressure drop.

Please replace paragraph [0020] with the following amended paragraph:

[0020] FIG. 6a is a ~~section~~ cross-sectional view taken along ~~line A/A~~ the encircled portion of FIG. 6 5a.